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## COULEE DES JONC DRAINAGE DISTRICT

Vermilion Parish, Louisiana

Financial Report

Year Ended December 31, 2006

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To the Board of Commissioners Coulee Des Jone Drainage District Vermilion Parish, Louisiana

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and the major fund of the Coulee Des Jonc Drainage District (the Drainage District), a component unit of the Vermilion Parish Police Jury, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2006, which collectively comprise the Drainage District's basic financial statements, as listed in the table of contents, in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. All information included in these financial statements is the representation of the management of the Coulee Des Jonc Drainage District.

A review consists principally of inquiries of Drainage District personnel and analytical procedures applied to financial data. It is substantially less in scope than an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with the Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide and the provisions of state law, we have issued a report, dated May 2, 2007 on the results of our agreed- upon procedures.

The Coulee Des Jonc Drainage District has not presented management's discussion and analysis information that the Governmental Accounting Standards Board has determined is required to supplement, although not required to be part of, the basic financial statements.

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The budgetary comparison information on page 23 is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. The other supplementary information on pages 25 through 26 is presented for purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has not been subjected to the inquiry and analytical procedures applied in the review of the basic financial statements, but was compiled from information that is the representation of management, without audit or review. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on the supplementary information.

Kolder, Champagne, Slaven & Company, LLC Certified Public Accountants

Abbeville, Louisiana May 2, 2007

**BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** 

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (GWFS)

## COULEE DES JONC DRAINAGE DISTRICT

## Vermilion Parish, Louisiana

## Statement of Net Assets December 31, 2006

#### **ASSETS**

Current assets:	
Cash	\$ 126,493
Due from other governmental agencies	205,265
Total current assets	331,758
Noncurrent assets:	
Capital assets, net	63,240
Total assets	394,998
LIABILITIES	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable	8,084
NET ASSETS	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	63,240
Unrestricted	323,674
Total net assets	\$386,914

## Statement of Activities For the Year Ended December 31, 2006

Expenses: Public works	<u>\$ 188,024</u>
General revenues:	
Ad valorem taxes	215,788
State revenue sharing	21,798
Investment earnings	417
Total general revenues	238,003
Change in net assets	49,979
Net assets, beginning	336,935
Net assets, ending	\$ 386,914

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (FFS)

## **FUND DESCRIPTION - MAJOR FUND**

## **General Fund**

The general fund is used to account for resources traditionally associated with governments which are not required to be accounted for in another fund.

## Balance Sheet - Governmental Fund General Fund December 31, 2006

#### **ASSETS**

Cash Ad valorem taxes receivable Due from other governmental agencies	\$126,493 190,613 14,652
Total assets	<b>\$</b> 331,758
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	
Liabilities: Accounts payable	\$ 8,084
Fund balance: Unreserved, undesignated	323,674
Total liabilities and fund balance	<u>\$331,758</u>

## Reconciliation of the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Assets December 31, 2006

Total fund balance for the governmental funds at December 31, 2006	\$323,674
Total net assets reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets is different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds. Those assets consist of:  Machinery and equipment, net of \$344,417 accumulated depreciation	63,240
Total net assets of governmental activities at December 31, 2006	\$386,914

#### COULEE DES JONC DRAINAGE DISTRICT

## Vermilion Parish, Louisiana

## Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance-Governmental Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2006

Revenues:	
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 215,788
State revenue sharing	21,798
Investment earnings	417
Total revenues	238,003
Expenditures:	
Current -	
Public works - drainage	161,019
Capital outlay	8,180
Total expenditures	169,199
Net change in fund balance	68,804
Fund balances, beginning	254,870
Fund balances, ending	\$323,674

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and
Changes in Fund Balance of the Governmental Fund
to the Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended December 31, 2006

Total net changes in fund balance at December 31, 2006 per Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

\$ 68,804

The change in net assets reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities is different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense.

Capital outlay

8,180

Depreciation expense for the year ended December 31, 2006

(27,005) (18,825)

Total changes in net assets at December 31, 2006 per Statement of Activities

\$ 49,979

#### Notes to Financial Statements

#### (1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accompanying financial statements of the Coulee Des Jonc Drainage District (the Drainage District) have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. GAAP includes all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements. In the government-wide financial statements the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements and Accounting Principles Board (APB) opinions on or before November 30, 1989, have been applied unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements, in which case, GASB prevails. The accounting and reporting framework and the more significant accounting policies are discussed in subsequent subsections of these notes.

Such accounting and reporting procedures also conform to the requirements of the industry audit guide, Audits of State and Local Governments.

The following is a summary of certain significant accounting policies:

#### A. Financial Reporting Entity

Section 2100 of the GASB Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards (GASB Codification) established criteria for determining the governmental reporting entity and component units that should be included within the reporting entity. Oversight responsibility by the Police Jury is determined on the basis of the following criteria:

- 1. Appointment of governing board
- 2. Designation of management
- 3. Ability to significantly influence operations
- 4. Accountability for fiscal matters
- 5. Scope of public service

Because the Police Jury created the Drainage District and appoints its board of commissioners, the Drainage District was determined to be a component unit of the Vermilion Parish Police Jury, the governing body of the parish and the governmental body with oversight responsibility. The accompanying financial statements present information only on the fund maintained by the Drainage District and do not present information on the Police Jury, the general government services provided by that governmental unit, or the other governmental units that comprise the governmental reporting entity.

The Drainage District was created under the authority of Louisiana Revised Statute 38:1751-1802. The Drainage District is situated in North-Central Vermilion Parish and was created on April 1, 1912, for the purpose of opening and maintaining all natural drains in the district, where drainage is accomplished using natural forces of gravity. This may be accomplished by cutting and opening new drains, ditches, and canals. As provided by Louisiana Revised Statute 38:1758, the Drainage District is governed by five commissioners. These five commissioners are referred to as the board of commissioners and are appointed by the Vermilion Parish Police Jury. The

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

Drainage District is a component unit of the Vermilion Parish Police Jury, the governing body of the Parish and the governmental body with oversight responsibility.

#### B. Basis of Presentation

Government-Wide Financial Statements (GWFS)

The statement of net assets and the statement of activities display information about the reporting government as a whole. These statements include all the funds of the reporting entity. The Drainage District has no business-type activities.

The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for the Drainage District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include (a) fees and charges paid by the recipients of services offered by the Drainage District, and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirement of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues.

#### Fund Financial Statements (FFS)

The accounts of the Drainage District are organized and operated on the basis of funds. A fund is an independent fiscal and accounting entity with a separate set of self-balancing accounts. Fund accounting segregates funds according to their intended purpose and is used to aid management in demonstrating compliance with finance-related legal and contractual provisions. The minimum number of funds is maintained consistent with legal and managerial requirements.

The Drainage District maintains only one fund. It is categorized as a governmental fund. The emphasis on fund financial statements is on major governmental and enterprise funds, each displayed in a separate column. A fund is considered major if it is the primary operating fund of the entity or meets the following criteria:

- a. Total assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of that individual governmental or enterprise fund are at least 10 percent of the corresponding total for all funds of that category or type; and
- b. Total assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of the individual governmental or enterprise fund are at least 5 percent of the corresponding total for all governmental and enterprise funds combined.

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

The major fund of the Drainage District is described below:

#### Governmental Fund -

General Fund – This fund is the primary operating fund of the Drainage District and it accounts for the operations of the Drainage District. The General Fund is available for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred in accordance with state and federal laws and according the Drainage District policy.

#### C. Measurement Focus/Basis of Accounting

Measurement focus is a term used to describe "which" transactions are recorded within the various financial statements. Basis of accounting refers to "when" transactions are recorded regardless of the measurement focus applied.

#### Measurement Focus

On the government-wide statement of net assets and the statement of activities, governmental activities are presented using the economic resources measurement focus as defined in item b. below.

In the fund financial statements, the "current financial resources" measurement focus or the "economic resources" measurement focus is used as appropriate:

- a. The governmental fund utilizes a "current financial resources" measurement focus. Only current financial assets and liabilities are generally included on the balance sheet. The operating statement presents sources (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources. This approach is then reconciled, through adjustment, to a government-wide view of the Drainage District operations.
- b. The government-wide financial statement utilizes an "economic resources" measurement focus. The accounting objectives of this measurement focus are the determination of operating income, changes in net assets (or cost recovery) and financial position. All assets and liabilities (whether current or noncurrent) associated with its activities are reported. Government-wide fund equity is classified as net assets.

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

#### Basis of Accounting

In the government-wide statement of net assets and statement of activities, the governmental activities are presented using the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recorded when the liability is incurred or economic asset used. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets, and liabilities resulting from exchange and exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange takes place.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days after the fiscal period. Expenditures (including capital outlay) generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures are recorded only when payment is due.

#### Revenues

Intergovernmental revenues and fees, charges and commissions for services are recorded when the Drainage District is entitled to the funds.

Ad valorem taxes are recorded in the year taxes are due and payable. Ad valorem taxes are assessed in November, by the Parish Assessor, based on the assessed value and become due on November 15 of each year. The taxes become delinquent on January 1. An enforceable lien attaches to the property as of January 1. The taxes are generally collected in December, January, and February of the fiscal year. Property tax revenues are accrued at fiscal year-end to the extent that they have been collected but not received by the Vermilion Parish Tax Collector's Office. Such amounts are measurable and available to finance current operations.

Interest on interest-bearing deposits is recorded or accrued as revenues when earned. Substantially all other revenues are recorded when received.

#### Expenditures

The Drainage District's primary expenditures include salaries and insurance, which are recorded when the liability is incurred. Capital expenditures and purchases of various operating supplies are regarded as expenditures at the time purchased.

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

#### D. Assets, Liabilities and Equity

Cash

Cash includes amounts in demand deposits.

#### Receivables

In the government-wide statements, receivables consist of all revenues earned at year-end and not yet received. Major receivable balances for the governmental activities include ad valorem taxes.

#### Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include furniture, fixtures, and equipment, are reported in the governmental activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are capitalized at historical cost or estimated cost if historical cost is not available. The Drainage District maintains a threshold level of \$500 or more for capitalizing capital assets. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized.

Depreciation of all exhaustible capital assets is recorded as an allocated expense in the statement of activities, with accumulated depreciation reflected in the statement of net assets. Depreciation is provided over the assets' estimated useful lives using the straight-line method of depreciation. The range of estimated useful lives by type of asset is as follows:

Estimated
Useful Lives
5-10 years

#### Machinery and Equipment

In the fund financial statements, capital assets used in government fund operations are accounted for as capital outlay expenditures of the governmental fund upon acquisition.

#### Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

#### Compensated absences

Full-time employees of the Drainage District with more than one year of service are allowed two weeks of vacation leave each year; full-time employees with one year's service or less are allowed one week of vacation leave each year. Sick leave is granted on an individual basis as the need occurs. Vacation and sick leave may not be accumulated and carried into future years.

#### Equity classifications

In the government-wide statements, equity is classified as net assets and displayed in three components:

- a. Invested in capital assets Consists of capital assets net of accumulated depreciation.
- b. Restricted net assets Consists of net assets with constraints placed on the use either by (1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- c. Unrestricted net assets All other net assets that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "invested in capital assets, net of related debt."

The Drainage District has no restricted net assets at December 31, 2006.

In the fund statements, governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance. Fund balance is further classified as reserved and unreserved, with unreserved further split between designated and undesignated.

#### E. Revenue Restrictions

The Drainage District has restrictions placed over certain revenue sources from state or local requirements. The primary restricted revenue source includes:

Revenue Source	Legal Restrictions of Use		
Ad valorem taxes	See Note 2		

The Drainage District uses unrestricted resources only when restricted resources are fully depleted.

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

#### F. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The Drainage District follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements.

- 1. Budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).
- 2. The budget is employed as a management control device during the year that assists its user in financial activity analysis.
- 3. All budget appropriations lapse at year-end. The budgets presented are the originally adopted budget and the final amended budget.

The Drainage District has no restricted net assets at December 31, 2006.

#### G. Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### (2) Ad Valorem Taxes

Ad valorem taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property as of January 1 of each year. Taxes are assessed on a calendar year basis, become due on November 15 of each year and become delinquent on January 1 of the following year. The taxes are based on assessed values determined by the Tax Assessor of Vermilion Parish and are collected by the Sheriff. The taxes are remitted to the Drainage District net of deductions for Pension Fund contributions.

For the year ended December 31, 2006, taxes of 10.84 mills were levied on property with assessed valuations totaling \$20,177,630 and were dedicated to maintaining and improving canals.

Total taxes levied were \$218,726. Taxes receivable at December 31, 2006 were \$190,613 of which is collectible.

#### Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

#### (3) <u>Cash</u>

Under state law, the Drainage District may deposit funds within a fiscal agent bank organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana, the laws of any other state in the union, or the laws of the United States. The Drainage District may invest in United States bonds, treasury notes, or certificates and time deposits of state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having principal offices in Louisiana. At December 31, 2006, the Drainage District has cash and cash equivalents (book balances) totaling \$126,493.

Demand deposits \$ 126,493

These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law, these deposits (or the resulting bank balances) must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. These securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties. At December 31, 2006 the Drainage District has deposit balances (bank balances) totaling \$130,037. These deposits are secured as follows:

Bank balances	<u>\$ 130,037</u>
Federal Deposit Insurance	100,000
Pledged Securities (Category 3)	30,037
Total federal insurance and pledged securities	\$ 130,037

#### (4) <u>Due from Other Governmental Agencies</u>

Amounts due from other governmental agencies at December 31, 2006 consisted of amounts due from the State of Louisiana for state revenue sharing in the amount of \$14,652 and due from the Vermilion Parish Sheriff for ad valorem taxes in the amount of \$190,613.

#### Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

#### (5) Capital Assets

A summary of changes in capital assets follows:

	1/1/2006	Additions	Deductions	12/31/2006
Governmental activities:				
Machinery and equipment	\$399,477	\$ 8,180	\$ -	\$ 407,657
Less: accumulated depriciation	(317,412)	(27,005)		(344,417)
Governmental activities, capital assets, net	\$ 82,065	<u>\$ (18,825)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ 63,240

Depreciation expense in the amount of \$27,005 was charged to general government.

#### (6) Compensation Paid Board of Commissioners

A summary of compensation paid to the board of commissioners for the year ended December 31, 2006 is as follows:

Dexter Callahan	\$ 780
Melvin Faulk, Sr.	780
Freddie LeMaire, Jr.	780
Glenray Trahan	715
John Larry Trahan	260
Total	\$ 3,315

#### (7) <u>Litigation</u>

There was no litigation pending against the Drainage District at December 31, 2006.

#### (8) Risk Management

The Drainage District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters for which the Drainage District carries commercial insurance. There have been no significant reductions in the insurance coverage during the year.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

## COULEE DES JONC DRAINAGE DISTRICT

## Vermilion Parish, Louisiana General Fund

## Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the Year Ended December 31, 2006

	Budget			Variance - Favorable
	Original	Final	Actual	(Unfavorable)
Revenues:	Original		Actual	(Omavorable)
Taxes - ad valorem	\$ 196,031	\$194,201	\$215,788	\$ 21,587
State revenue sharing	23,859	21,122	21,798	676
Interest earned	300	416	417	1
Total revenues	220,190	215,739	238,003	22,264
Expenditures:				
Current - Public works -				
Salaries	88,580	70,490	72,686	(2,196)
Legal and accounting	3,776	4,563	4,563	-
Office supplies and administrative costs	500	455	455	-
Insurance	16,000	1 <b>6,365</b>	15,828	537
Group insurance	16,921	11,416	11,185	<b>23</b> 1
Pension expense	7,143	7,143	7,143	-
Supplies and tools	1,000	867	855	12
Repairs and maintenance	18,500	7,028	8,628	(1,600)
Payroll taxes	6,700	5,424	5,592	(168)
Utilities	700	544	543	. 1
Rent	4,765	4,765	4,765	•
Fuel and lubricant	21,000	18,589	18,589	-
Bank service charges	10	7	7	-
Miscellaneous	11,700	2,094	10,180	(8,086)
Capital Outlay		8,180	<b>8</b> ,1 <b>80</b>	<u> </u>
Total Expenditures	197,295	157,930	169,199	(11,269)
Net change in fund balance	22,895	57,809	68,804	10,995
Fund balance, beginning	254,870	254,870	254,870	
Fund balance, ending	\$277,765	\$312,679	\$323,674	<u>\$ 10,995</u>

OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

# Schedule of Current and Prior Year Control Deficiencies and Management's Corrective Action Plan Year Ended December 31, 2006

#### I. Prior Year Control Deficiencies:

#### Compliance

#### 05-1 Budget violation

Control Deficiency:

Budgeted revenues exceeded actual revenues by more than 5%, which is a violation of LSA RS 39:1311.

Status:

Unresolved, See 06-1.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

#### 05-2 Inadequate segregation of accounting functions

Control Deficiency:

Due to the small number of employee, Coulee Des Jonc Drainage District did not have adequate segregation of functions within the accounting system.

Status:

Unresolved. See 06-2.

#### Other Matters

There were no control deficiencies in this section at December 31, 2006.

# Schedule of Current and Prior Year Control Deficiencies and Management's Corrective Action Plan (Continued) Year Ended December 31, 2006

#### II. Current Year Control Deficiencies and Management's Corrective Action Plan:

#### Compliance

#### 06-1 Budget Violation

#### Control Deficiency:

Actual expenditures exceeded budgeted expenditures by more than 5%, which is a violation of LSA RS 39:1311.

#### Management's Corrective Action Plan:

Jewitt Hulin, Secretary/Treasurer, will periodically review the budget throughout the fiscal year and amend as situations warrant.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

#### 06-2 Inadequate segregation of accounting functions

#### Control Deficiency:

Due to the small number of employee, Coulee Des Jonc Drainage District did not have adequate segregation of functions within the accounting system.

#### Management's Corrective Action Plan:

Jewitt Hulin, Secretary/Treasurer, has determined that it is not cost effective to achieve complete segregation of duties within the accounting department. No plan is considered necessary.

#### Other Matters

There were no control deficiencies in this section at December 31, 2006.

ATTESTATION REPORT AND QUESTIONNAIRE

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To the Board of Commissioners Coulee Des Jonc Drainage District Vermilion Parish, Louisiana

We have performed the procedures included in the Louisiana Government Audit Guide and enumerated below, which were agreed to by the management of the Coulee Des Jonc Drainage District (the Drainage District), and the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana, solely to assist the users in evaluating management's assertions about the Drainage District's compliance with certain laws and regulations during the year ended December 31, 2006, included in the accompanying Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was performed in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and applicable standards of Government Auditing Standards. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the specified users of the report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

#### Public Bid Law

1. Select all expenditures made during the year for material and supplies exceeding \$20,000, or public works exceeding \$100,000, and determine whether such purchases were made in accordance with LSA-RS 38:2211-2251 (the public bid law).

There were no expenditures made during the year which exceeded \$20,000 for material and supplies, or \$100,000 for public works.

#### Code of Ethics for Public Officials and Public Employees

2. Obtain from management a list of the immediate family members of each employee as defined by LSA-RS 42:1101-1124 (the code of ethics), and a list of outside business interests of all employees, as well as their immediate families.

Management provided us with the required list including the noted information.

3. Obtain from management a listing of all employees paid during the period under examination.

Management provided us with the required list.

Member of: AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS Member of: SOCIETY OF LOUISIANA CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS 4. Determine whether any of those employees included in the listing obtained from management in agreed-upon procedure (3) were also included on the listing obtained from management in agreed-upon procedure (2) as immediate family members.

None of the employees included on the list of employees provided by management in agreed-upon procedure (3) appeared on the list provided by management in agreed-upon procedure (2).

#### Budgeting

- 5. Obtained a copy of the legally adopted budget and all amendments.
  - Management provided us with a copy of the original budget.
- 6. Trace the budget adoption and amendments to the minute book.
  - We traced the adoption of the original budget to the minutes of a meeting held on December 20, 2005, which indicated that the budget had been adopted by the Drainage District. We also traced the adoption of the amended budget to the minutes of a meeting held on December 19, 2006.
- 7. Compare the revenues and expenditures of the final budget to actual revenues and expenditures to determine if actual revenues failed to meet budgeted revenues by 5% or more or if actual expenditures exceed budgeted amounts by 5% or more.

We compared the revenues and expenditures of the final budget to actual revenues and expenditures. Actual revenues did not fail to meet budgeted revenues by 5% or more, however, expenditures for the year did exceed budgeted amounts by 5% or more.

#### Accounting and Reporting

- 8. Randomly select 6 disbursements made during the period under examination and:
  - (a) trace payments to supporting documentation as to proper amount and payee;

We examined supporting documentation for each of the six selected disbursements and found that payment was for the proper amount and made to the correct payee.

(b) determine if payments were properly coded to the correct fund and general ledger account; and

All six payments were properly coded to the correct fund and general ledger account.

(c) determine whether payments received approval from proper authorities.

Inspection of documentation supporting each of the six selected disbursements indicated approvals from the accountant.

#### Meetings

9. Examine evidence indicating that agendas for meetings recorded in the minute book were posted or advertised as required by LSA-RS 42:1 through 42:12 (the open meetings law).

Coulee Des Jonc Drainage District is only required to post a notice of each meeting and the accompanying agenda on the door of the District's office building. Management has asserted that such documents were properly posted.

Debt

10. Examine bank deposits for the period under examination and determine whether any such deposits appear to be proceeds of bank loans, bonds, or like indebtedness.

We inspected copies of all bank deposit slips for the period under examination and noted no deposits which appeared to be proceeds of bank loans, bonds, or like indebtedness.

Advances and Bonuses

11. Examine payroll records and minutes for the year to determine whether any payments have been made to employees which may constitute bonuses, advance, or gifts.

We inspected payroll records for the year and noted no instances which would indicate payments to employees which would constitute bonuses, advances, or gifts.

See the Summary Schedule of Current and Prior Year Control Deficiencies for any comments or unresolved matters.

We were not engaged to, and did not perform an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on management's assertions. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the use of management of the Drainage District and the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana, and should not be used by those who have not agreed to the procedures and taken responsibility for the sufficiency of the procedures for their purposes. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Kolder, Champagne, Slaven & Company, LLC
Certified Public Accountants

Abbeville, Louisiana May 2, 2007

# LOUISIANA ATTESTATION QUESTIONNAIRE (For Attestation Engagements of Government)

December 31, 2006 (Date Transmitted)

Kolder, Champagne, Slaven & Co. LLC	
200 South Main Street	
Abbeville, LA 70510	(Auditors)
In connection with your review of our financial statements as of December year then ended, and as required by Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513 and Governmental Audit Guide, we make the following representations to you responsibility for our compliance with the following laws and regulations at over compliance with such laws and regulations. We have evaluated our following laws and regulations prior to making these representations.	nd the <i>Louisiana</i> . We accept full and the internal controls.
These representations are based on the information available to us as of t	December 31, 2006.
Public Bid Law	•
It is true that we have complied with the public bid law, LSA-RS Title 38:22 applicable, the regulations of the Division of Administration, State Purchas	
Code of Ethics for Public Officials and Public Employees	
It is true that no employees or officials have accepted anything of value, w service, loan, or promise, from anyone that would constitute a violation of l	
It is true that no member of the immediate family of any member of the governmental entity, has been employed by the governmental entity in the governmental entity is a supplication of LSA.	ernmental entity after
Budgeting	
We have complied with the state budgeting requirements of the Local Gove (LSA-RS 39:1301-14) or the budget requirements of LSA-RS 39:34.	ernment Budget Act Yes [V] No [ ]
Accounting and Reporting	
All non-exempt governmental records are available as a public record and at least three years, as required by LSA-RS 44:1, 44:7, 44:31, and 44:36.	
, ,	Yes [1/] No [ ]

We have filed our annual financial statements in accordance with LSA-RS 24:514, 33:463, and/or 39:92, as applicable.

We have had our financial statements audited or compiled in accordance with LSA-RS 24/513.

Yes [ \*\*] No [ ]

#### Meetings

We have complied with the provisions of the Open Meetings Law, provided in RS 42:1 through 42:12.

#### Debt

It is true we have not incurred any indebtedness, other than credit for 90 days or less to make purchases in the ordinary course of administration, nor have we entered into any lease-purchase agreements, without the approval of the State Bond Commission, as provided by Article VII, Section 8 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, Article VI, Section 33 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, and LSA-RS 39:1410.60-1410.65.

#### Advances and Bonuses

It is true we have not advanced wages or salaries to employees or paid bonuses in violation of Article VII, Section 14 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, LSA-RS 14:138, and AG opinion 79-729.

Yes [// No [ ]

We have disclosed to you all known noncompliance of the foregoing laws and regulations, as well as any contradictions to the foregoing representations. We have made available to you documentation relating to the foregoing laws and regulations.

We have provided you with any communications from regulatory agencies or other sources concerning any possible noncompliance with the foregoing laws and regulations, including any communications received between the end of the period under examination and the issuance of this report. We acknowledge our responsibility to disclose to you any known noncompliance which may occur subsequent to the issuance of your report.

Secretary/Treasurer 1-16-07 Date